The Krewe of Nereids

presents

Twentieth Annual Bal Masque

SATURDAY EVENING, JANUARY 18, 1986
MISSISSIPPI COAST COLISEUM, BILOXI, MISSISSIPPI

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The MARDI GRAS . . . termed the . . . "GREATEST FREE SHOW ON EARTH" . . . is a collage of "fun and fantasy" . . . "merriment and make-believe" . . . and everything "else" in between! It's those elegant, elaborate and exclusive . . . CARNIVAL BALLS! It's mock ROYALTY in the finest tradition, with CROWN and SCEPTER! It's the blare of marching BANDS . . . beating out the tempo in a STREET PARADE. It's prancing FLAMBEAU CARRIERS lighting the way of the glittering FLOATS...DOUBLOONS AND BEADS . . . CUPIE DOLLS AND SWORDS . . . a "FLOWER" for the ladies and a "GARTER" for the men! . . . It's ALL OF THIS and MORE . . . oh, so much more! It's Mardi Gras Day . . . from DAWN TO DUSK . . . as CLOWNS CAVORT . . . PIRATES PARADE . . . DOLLS DANCE . . . GORILLAS GROWL . . . while ASTRONAUTS hold hands with RAGGEDY ANN and SAFARI HUNTERS WALTZ with those delightful BUMBLE BEES. It's REX . . . at high noon toasting his QUEEN at the Boston Club and then . . . COMUS at night with his Silver Goblet raised high! It's FROLIC IN THE STREETS . . . a PICNIC ON THE AVENUE . . . and wall to wall COSTUMED PEOPLE on CANAL STREET. It's a once a year day, when cares are forgotten and the LORD OF MISRULE takes over the entire City! "MARDI GRAS" is fun and meant to be an escape from reality. It is that MAGICAL MOMENT OF MIRTH and MAKE-BELIEVE . . . when worries and woes fade into the background. And then, when the clock STRIKES MIDNIGHT, Ash Wednesday begins . . . It's all over for another year . . . but while it is . . . "MARDI GRAS TIME" . . . we have SMILES on our faces . . . LAUGHTER in our hearts . . . and LOVE for everyone. Every day . . . SHOULD be . . . MARDI GRAS DAY!

And so . . . as our TABLEAUX unfolds . . . we invite you to COME . . . join us, as TOGETHER . . . we will share that wonderful feeling you can only know and share at "MARDI GRAS TIME" . . . N'AWLINS STYLE . . . NATURALLY!

Our BANDSTAND comes alive, as we hear our . . . "CARNIVAL PARADE OVERTURE" . . . so, MAESTRO, IF YOU PLEASE! ! !

a. The CAPTAIN'S whistle officially signals the beginning of our TWENTIETH ANNUAL BAL MASQUE . . . as . . . WE WELCOME

b. The ROYAL COURT of 1985 . . . recalling our nostalgic promenade through the colorful realm of yesteryear . . . in our ball presentation . . . "SUNDAY IN THE PARK" . . .

c. Behold the spotting of the CREST OF NEREIDS, as a prelude to the excitement of our . . . "MARDI GRAS TIME" . . .

d. Our "CARNIVAL WHIRL" comes alive . . . as the scene is filled with ARTISANS busy at their crafts. The costumers and float builders are "creating" . . . the unusual, unique and even bizarre.

li Gras Time

e. Portraying the "Spirit of the Mardi Gras" . . . our "KREWE OFFICERS" set the scene . . . as they extend an official WELCOME TO OUR BALL . . . and signal for our CARNIVAL FESTIVITIES to begin . . .

f. From the REALM OF PURPLE, GREEN AND GOLD and in her role as the "Mardi Gras Captain" . . . we behold . . . the . . . "CAPTAIN OF NEREIDS" . . .

g. Let us enjoy . . . many of those colorful NEW ORLEANS . . . "sights, sounds and tastes" associated with MARDI GRAS . . . as our MAIDS OF THE ROYAL COURT bring to life . . .

Rue Royal . . . Rue Dauphine . . . Rue Burgundy . . .
Famous "STREETS" . . . of the VIEUX CARRE!

A Collage of Faces . . . CLOWNS, ANIMALS and MARTIANS
All are part of Comedy and Tragedy . . . "MARDI GRAS MASKS"!

Delectable Taste Treats in liquid form . . . so raise a
"GLASS OF CHAMPAGNE" . . . as we toast the KING AND QUEEN!

Colors of the Rainbow and Exotic Designs . . .
The famed . . . "MARDI GRAS BEADS" fill the air!

The Bugle Call . . . the Starter's gun . . . and "they're off"
It's a "DAY AT THE RACES" . . . at the FAIRGROUNDS!

The Beat of the Drums, the Blare of the Horn.
At MARDI GRAS TIME . . . "MUSIC" is everywhere!

h. Hail QUEEN DORIS XX, personifying the . . . "SPIRIT OF MARDI GRAS" and the "QUEEN OF OUR BALL" . . .

i. Her ROYAL MAJESTY now calls for . . .

j. The OFFICERS OF THE KREWE to escort the DUKES OF NEREIDS to their lovely . . . MAIDS . . . so that, together, the COURT may await the regal arrival of . . .

k. KING NEREUS XX . . . who bids that his subjects enjoy with him, "REVELRY OF CARNIVAL" . . . after which . . .

l. HONORED GUESTS will be received at the REGAL THRONE . . . and then . . .

m. The ROYAL COURT in a "Grand March" amid magical memories of MARDI GRAS . . .

n. Our "scene" COMES ALIVE . . . on famed "BOURBON STREET"! It's "Mardi Gras Eve" . . . and . . . it's fun time . . .

o. "DAWN" breaks . . . and finally the big day has arrived . . . it's . . . "MARDI GRAS DAY" . . .

p. Those "sirens" wail and the "bands" blare . . . "HERE COMES THE PARADE" . . .

q. The NEREIDS KREWE MEMBERS . . . invite you to join them in their mad-cap, merry-making madness, that is the "MARDI GRAS" . . . and all of this as . . .

r. We ALL enjoy the "GRAND FINALE"!

s. The OFFICERS take a bow and give a "SALUTE" to their invited guests, before . . .

t. The gracious and charming . . . CAPTAIN OF THE KREWE . . . bids you, our guests, a nostalgic . . . "FAREWELL" . . . until we all meet again at next year's . . . NEREIDS EXTRAVAGANZA!

u. The "CALL OUT DANCES" begin . . . after which . . . GENERAL DANCING will end the happy excitement of NEREIDS' . . . tribute to the . . . "GREATEST FREE SHOW ON EARTH" . . . "MARDI GRAS TIME" . . . N'AWLINS STYLE! ! !

The Royal Court of 1986

King Nereus XX

Dukes to His Majesty

MR. DONALD VICTOR FREEMAN
MR. JOHN R. ADAMS
MR. E. BURTON KEMP
MR. PHILIP A. RYAN, JR.
MR. SALVADOR PAGANO
MR. JOHN L. BOOS, JR.

Trainbearers to Her Majesty

MISS NATICA LYNNE CHAPMAN
MASTER HERBERT T. DUBUISSON
MASTER JARED WILLIAM FREEMAN
MASTER RYAN JOSEPH LaFONTAINE

Recollections

1967
Cavalcade of American Dance
King Nereus I - Cornelius K. Herlihy

1968
Era of Laughter
King Nereus II - Merlin R. Markel

1969
Carnival in Rio
King Nereus III - Henry Develle, Jr. *

1970
Spirit of America
King Nereus IV - W. Ray Gordon *

1971
Opening Nights
King Nereus V - James DeBlanc

1972
Three Ring Circus
King Nereus VI - Haskell L. Doyle

1973
Echoes of Famous Streets
King Nereus VII - John Gallagher

1974
The Enchanted Toy Shop
King Nereus VIII - T. Dixon Ashman

1975
The Jazz Age
King Nereus IX - David L. Johnson

1976
Hawaii, The 50th State
King Nereus X - Lucien M. Gex, Jr.

1977
State Fair
King Nereus XI - Vincent Schott

1978
Oooh La La, Paree!
King Nereus XII - Clifford P. Vogt *

1979
Classic Greece
King Nereus XIII - Luke Caruso

1980
Space Fantasy
King Nereus XIV - Robert W. Wyatt, Jr.

1981
Fiesta! Fiesta!
King Nereus XV - Donald W. Diboll

1982
The Adventures of Alice
King Nereus XVI - Arthur J. Chapman, III

1983
Yankee Doodle Dandy
King Nereus XVII - Thomas W. Kidd

1984
It's a Small World
King Nereus XVIII - Gerald C. Gex

1985
Sunday in the Park
King Nereus XIX - Alvin G. Bernard

* *Deceased*

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KREWE OF NEREIDS PARADE Sunday, February 2, 1986, 2:00 P.M. Highway 90, Waveland